

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2617

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## AN ACT

To amend the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to postpone  
a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable  
to American Samoa.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2   *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. MINIMUM WAGE FOR AMERICAN SAMOA.**

2 (a) MINIMUM WAGE.—Paragraph (2) of section  
3 8103(b) of the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 (29  
4 U.S.C. 206 note) is amended to read as follows:

5 “(2) the minimum wage applicable to American  
6 Samoa under section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor  
7 Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)) shall  
8 be—

9 “(A) the applicable wage rate in effect for  
10 each industry and classification as of September  
11 29, 2015; and

12 “(B) increased by \$0.50 an hour (or such  
13 lesser amount as may be necessary to equal the  
14 minimum wage under section 6(a)(1) of such  
15 Act), beginning on December 31, 2016, and on  
16 December 31 of every third year thereafter,  
17 until the minimum wage applicable to American  
18 Samoa under this paragraph is equal to the  
19 minimum wage set forth in such section.”.

20 (b) GAO REPORTS.—Section 8104 of the Fair Min-  
21 imum Wage Act of 2007 (29 U.S.C. 206 note) is amend-  
22 ed—

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) by striking “September 1, 2011” and  
25 inserting “April 1, 2017”; and

1 (B) by striking the second sentence and in-  
 2 serting the following: “The Government Ac-  
 3 countability Office shall submit a subsequent  
 4 report not later than April 1, 2020.”;

5 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “the study  
 6 under subsection (a)” and inserting “any report  
 7 under subsection (a)”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(c) REPORT ON ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF IN-  
 10 CREASING THE MINIMUM WAGE IN AMERICAN SAMOA.—  
 11 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this  
 12 subsection, the Government Accountability Office shall  
 13 transmit to Congress a report on alternative ways of in-  
 14 creasing the minimum wage in American Samoa to keep  
 15 pace with the cost of living in American Samoa and to  
 16 eventually equal the minimum wage set forth in section  
 17 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29  
 18 U.S.C. 206(a)(1)).”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 28,  
 2015.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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